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## MORE CLUB OFFICERS



Secretary Ruby Throgmorton and Treasurer Jim Throgmorton next to their 65 Futura.



## NATIONAL MEET REPORT

The Lone Star Chapter hosted the 4th Annual National Meet of the Falcon Club of America at the North Park Inn, Dallas, Texas, August 13 and 14, 1983.

"Falconers" began arriving as early as Tuesday with great anticipation of getting the "show" on the parking lot.

By 9 o'clock Friday morning the sun over Dallas was hot, but there were 35 Falcons already on the parking lot for "show and tell" 'n spit and shine. The Lone Star Chapter was set up registering as fast as they could. More and more car trailers showed up bringing those prized possessions, with others driving their Falcons in.

Friday was sort of a lazy day with registering, setting up swap meets with those hard to find Falcon parts taking precedence. Shopping tours in Dallas were taken advantage of by many.

The beautiful pool had an allurements for taking a dip and cooling off from the Texas sun.

Pat Sword had the Club Store set up in the hospitality room. Goodies and drinks were in this room as well. This room was the hub of activity most of the weekend. Many new friends were made here and many friendships were sparked again. In the evening Susan Brunken showed a film on the art of antique car restoration which was really interesting. Tom O'Dell showed slides on past National's showing off the "beauties." He also showed a promotional film on St. Louis where the 5th National Meet will be held. Susan and Tom had to have 3 different showings on these films to accommodate the Falcon fans. One showing was held Saturday morning. By evening Falcons were really rolling in.

This year's youngest participant at the National Meet was Erin Elizabeth Partin, 2 months old, from Chicago, Illinois.

In talking with Mr. & Mrs. John Vandron from Port Charlotte, Florida, we found another good reason for owning a Falcon. John had had a heart attack and then open heart surgery. He needed something to spark a will for recovery, something interesting and a challenge. You guessed it—a Falcon. They bought a 64 Futura and the restoration "BUG" got to him. And what a beauty their convertible was. It was just the therapy he needed. They drove their Futura from Florida to Dallas. We had a slot here for a picture of them and their car, but apparently theirs was one on the rolls of film that jammed in Roger's camera. (As did many other pictures Roger had taken. All of those at the banquet also got messed up. We are so sorry as Roger had really taken a bunch of nice shots.)

Saturday dawned another bright and beautiful day with Falcons still arriving. More spit and polishing, new faces, new stories, more new friendships were formed over the "kicking of tires." Everyone was having an exciting time, what with the polish cloth in one hand and exchanging bits of restoration hints; where one could find this gas cap, or bumper, or fender was just a part of the conversations on the parking lot.

## BUSINESS IN SESSION





At 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon the 4th National FCA business meeting was held. The large room was full and many were standing. Many issues were on the agenda, with everyone having the opportunity to address all issues. Voting was done with FCA members doing the speaking.

The main ballroom of the Inn was the setting for the banquet Saturday night. What a beautiful ballroom it was with georgous chandliers. Red and white checked table cloths were on the tables with candles. The waiters dressed in their western wear set the stage for a delicious western barbeque dinner and a very enjoyable evening.

Barby Brunken welcomed everyone to the banquet. He asked John Mantooth from the Lone Star Chapter to give the invocation.

Phil Cottrill, speaker for the evening brought greetings from the Mason Dixon Chapter. Phil is the author of Falcon Book covering the 60-63 Falcons. He has three Falcons. Research on a 1961 Futura prompted Phil to write his book. He pleaded with the Club to continue taking pictures to help keep the Falcon true. He played portions of a taped interview with Pres. Sword, who helped in preserving Falcons; also conversations with Falcon designer Bill Boyer and Robert S. McNamara who was assistant general manager for Ford during the time Falcons were being built. He said the original Falcons were very profitable.

Gary Simper gave a short talk on restoring Falcons.

The finale of the evening was the awards which had been eagerly awaited.

### AWARDS

People's Choice:	Ken Kowalk (Michigan)
60-61 Sedan:	Bonnie Stringer (Calif.) 1st place
62-63 Sedan:	Gary Fuerst (Wisconsin) 1st place Ben Sivils (Arkansas) 2nd place
64-65 Sedan:	Jim Hatcher (Kansas) 1st place Mark Sword (Arkansas) 2nd place

63 Convertible:	Larry Wood (Texas) 1st place Ann Wood (Texas) 2nd place
64-65 Convertible:	Ken Kowalk (Michigan) 1st place Lee Long (Oklahoma) 2nd place
60-63 Ranchero:	Robert Adair (Texas) 1st place Kenneth Youngblood (Okla.) 2nd place
64-65 Ranchero:	Fred Cox (Texas) 1st place Richard Pinson (?) 2nd place
66-70 Ranchero:	James Beckwith (Arkansas)
Sedan Delivery/ Station Wagon:	Bobby Edge (?)
Best custom modified:	Bobby Kirby (Arkansas) 1st place Charles Nippres (Calif.) 2nd place
Longest distance:	Jerold Gosser (New York)
Oldest Falcon:	Kenneth Youngblood (Oklahoma)

Door prizes consisted of \$25.00 worth of Falcon parts, Dennison caps, Mustang book, oil changes, oil filters, Ford Falcon fender pads, fender birds, fender emblems, rear view mirrors, Falcon script, \$25.00 gift certificate, bumper guards, plastic restoration kits were just a few to name.

Then the party was over, time to bid farewells until the '84 National Meet.

With some pulling right out after the banquet, others stayed to head out Sunday. Motor homes from Calif. and Illinois, trucks trailering Falcons, vans towing Falcons, and Falcons led the procession east, west, south and north out of Dallas, already making plans for St. Louis in August, 1984.





Bruce and Patricia Kimbrough (Oklahoma) and their 1963½ Falcon Sprint Hardtop. Bought in December 1982 from the original owner. Car is all original and has original Sprint Engine Chrome.



Owner—Robert Johns (Texas)



1964 Sprint Convertible  
Owner—  
Ed & Sharyn Fabey



1963 Futura  
Sports Convertible  
Owner—Roy Sword



1963 Futura  
Sports Convertible  
Owner—Larry Woods





Owner—Mike Buckner, Lubbock, Texas



Owner—Peter Signer, Sherman, Texas



Owner—Gary Fuerst, Appleton, Wisconsin



Owner—Michael Gauwain, Keller, Texas





Owner—Ken Kenoyer, Cummings, Iowa



Charles & Deborah Nippres, Adelanto, Calif. They left to drive to New York in their Falcon from the National.



Owner—Ricky Dilks, Osawatomie, Kansas







Jim & Ruby Throgmorton, Jacksonville, Arkansas, arriving with their Futura and Mark Sword's 64 2 door Futura.



1960 Ranchero  
Owner—Kenneth Youngblood & daughter Kim (Oklahoma)



1962 Sedan Delivery  
Owner—Jeff Bressie (Texas)





SWAP MEET!



What's that you need?







What's this? A Falcon for sale???



Falcon on display—Ben Sivils (Arkansas)



Falcons on display

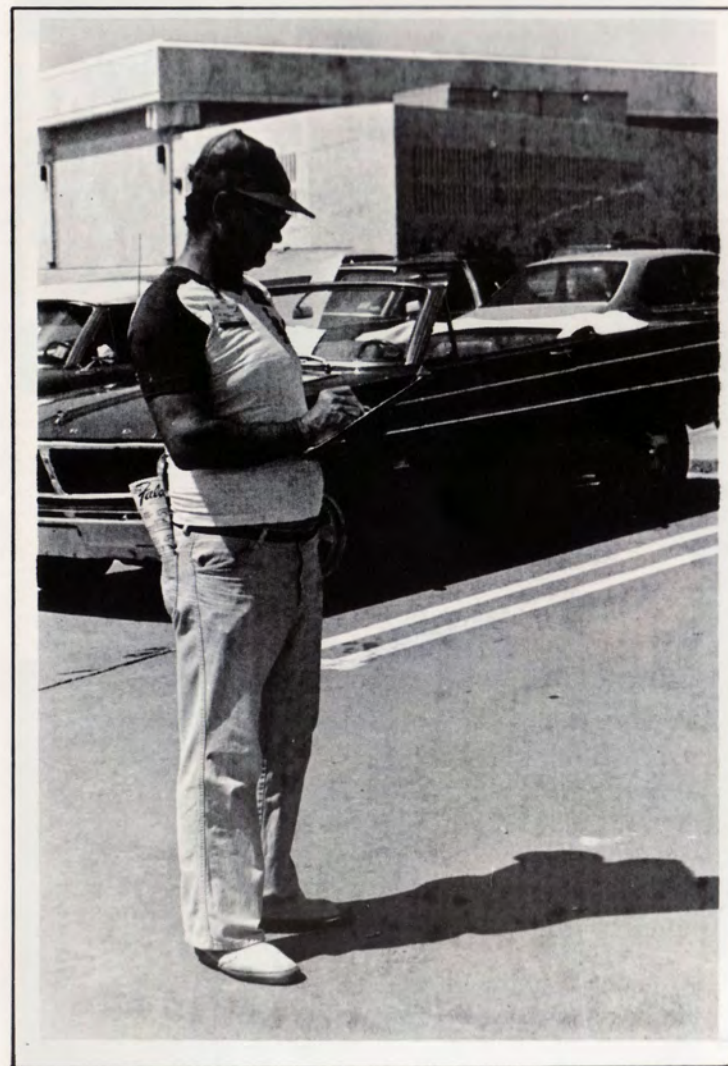


63 Hardtop  
Owner—Homer Greenlee (Arkansas)





Steve Lovan from Florissant, Mo. talking about one of his promotional Falcon models he had on display. Look for Steve in St. Louis as he will be one of our hosts at our 1984 National Meet!



Ed Fabey taking notes (El Monte, Calif.)



## THE BANQUET



Barby Brunken—President of Lone Star Chapter presents FCA President Roy Sword with a chapter t-shirt.



BANQUET (CON'T.)



Phil Cottrill (Guest Speaker)



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